

# REMEMBER THE DIFFICULT DAYS? THEN LOOK TO EUROPEAN BAPTISTS TODAY

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Do you remember the difficult days of old?

Well, I do. With my seminary degree and very little else, I had gone to the great old Galilee Church of Gloster, Mississippi to be its pastor. The church had no budget. Subscriptions had been taken that promised \$100 a month pastor's salary—payable if and when collected. Collections were taken at intervals for denominational causes. The only one that amounted to much was received for the orphanage when the children came and sang for us. Galilee was the only full-time church in the Mississippi Association of 70 churches and led all the rest!

Nearly 20 years passed, and I sat in the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. The treasurer of the Home Mission Board had stolen a million dol-

lars. Debts had accumulated on other convention agencies. Southern Baptists were in virtual bankruptcy. In our deep distress, we called on God—and he answered with the Coopera-

tive Program. Today our hearts are high with hope as we go forward with relative financial security both for churches and their pastors and for the Convention and its causes.

**22 Baptist Unions**

A few weeks ago, I was privileged to sit in the meeting of the Executive Committee of the European Baptist Federation at Stockholm, Sweden. The Com-

mittee represents the 22 cooperating Baptist Unions of Britain and The Continent. Gravely the secretary, Dr. Henry Cook, announced, "Brethren, our Federation is in virtual

bankruptcy. We do not have enough money in hand to pay expenses of this meeting." The announcement produced no shock—this condition, I learned, had been chronic throughout the ten years of the Federation's existence. Almost without operating funds, a brave band of men and women had miraculously within a decade brought a measure of unity to the scattered and disunited Baptist bodies of Europe, the climax coming in the recent Berlin Congress attended by nearly 6,000 messengers. Now the time had come for a great new development.

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## Midwest Seminary Builds

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—(BP)—Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here has awarded a contract for \$801,000 for construction of four buildings on its campus.

Seminary President Millard J. Berquist said that the contract was awarded to Swenson Construction Co. of Kansas City. Construction was to start following ground-breaking ceremonies Nov. 30 and the four buildings are to be ready for use next September.

Buildings for which contracts were let included an administration building, a library, a chapel, and one housing six classrooms and faculty offices.

Capital needs allocations from the Southern Baptist Convention for the years 1959 and 1960 are to be used in payment.

Berquist said the buildings will be of "conservative contemporary design" and of stone construction. Hedrick and Scanley of Fort Worth are architects.

Mayor H. Roe Bartle of Kansas City and Southern Baptist Convention leaders were to be special guests at the ground-breaking.

**In First Year**  
The new Southern Baptist Convention seminary is in its first year of operation. It is using buildings of Calvary Baptist Church here for its current session, for which a capacity 150 students are enrolled.

Berquist reported that if construction follows the hoped-for schedule, the seminary can have its classes on its 99-acre campus in the Kansas City North area during 1959-60 academic year.

## King, Queen In Payne Audience

COPENHAGEN, Denmark—(BWA)—The King and Queen of Denmark were in a crowded congregation that heard Dr. Ernest A. Payne, secretary of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland, preach at Copenhagen Cathedral in connection with the meeting of the World Council of Churches at Nyborg, Denmark.

"We who are here this evening," Mr. Payne began, "represent many races, many lands, many ecclesiastical traditions. What unites us is our confession of the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour, our desire to be known before men as Christians; and our concern that the unity of Christ's church be made more clearly manifest in the world."



**UNDER CONSTRUCTION**—This is the architect's conception of the new administration building at Midwestern Baptist Seminary, Kansas City, Mo. The building, together with three others, is under construction there. These first four buildings for the new seminary were included in an \$801,000 contract let by seminary trustees recently. They are expected to be ready to occupy next September.—Baptist Press.

## BWA Med Team Proposes World-Wide Health Ministry

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(BWA)

—A vast pool of medical skill operating under the banner of the cross" was envisioned here as a result of last summer's Baptist World Alliance medical mission.

Possible projects for the future were outlined by members of the medical team of six doctors and nine associates which traveled three months in Asia and Africa "surveying medical needs and the resources to meet those needs." The team was gathered in Washington for three days of discussion and reporting.

Dr. Robert A. Higson of Cleveland reported that the team found "the world sicker than we thought." But he pointed to Jesus as "a great Asian physician of some 2000 years ago, whose prescription for a sick world was that we love our neighbors as ourselves."

He saw an immediate need for an "action committee" or some similar organization to correlate the team's findings and bring the world's health needs and available resources together.

The round-the-world medical mission had been arranged by the Baptist World Alliance under the direction of Robert S. Denny, associate secretary, and was financed largely by the Jarmann Foundation of Nashville, Tenn.

**Cites Demonstration**  
Mr. Denny cited the project as one of the finest demonstrations of Christian cooperation I have ever seen." The doctors had made the trip at a personal financial sacrifice of three months' loss of practice.

Dr. Eugene H. Dibble of Tuskegee, Ala., said that the trip revealed public health, education and social security as the world's greatest physical and

material needs, and then declared that "except for a lack of moral stability, these people would be taken care of around the world as we already have succeeded in doing in America.

"The only thing that will change the moral fibre of the world," he declared, "is the Christian religion."

Dr. Blanchard Antes of Canton, Ohio, reported he was impressed by the "potentiality of Christian evangelism, and all

that it means wherever it is practiced." Dr. Gabe Payne of Hopkinsville, Ky., said he was convinced of the reality of the scripture, "The truth shall make you free." "Wherever the truth of Christianity has gone," he said, "it has set men free from the superstition that bound them."

Dr. Charles Black of Shreveport, La., and Dr. John Cleland of Oregon City, Ore., voiced high praise for missionaries they met.

**Mission Rallies Set For Each Association**

Baptist World Missions Rallies will be held in each association in the state in connection with the annual World Mission Conferences which are planned for the last two weeks of January, 1959.

Teams of pastors and denominational leaders will visit each association and bring special messages on world missions, Baptist Jubilee Advance and the 1959 Evangelistic Crusade.

The Sunday School, Training Union, Brotherhood and Woman's Missionary Union are joining hands with the pastors in promoting these meetings with the purpose that they may have the largest attendance of any meetings ever held in the associations.

**Places Named**  
Places and the exact dates of the meetings will be announced within the next few days, but all meetings will be during the two week period, January 19-30. Nineteen teams of three

members each have been organized to serve as speakers in the meetings.

The mission rallies will be the evening session of each conference. There will also be an afternoon meeting for pastors and evangelism leaders for final discussion of plans for the 1959 Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade.

**LR School To Continue**

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (RNS)—Baptist High School here will continue in operation until public high schools are reopened under normal conditions, the Arkansas Baptist Convention was told.

Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, president of Ouachita College, which operates the high school for 370 students in the education buildings of the First and Second Baptist churches, said the school was not intended as "an involvement" in the Little Rock school integration situation.

He stressed that it was not in any way the school's purpose to defy federal court orders or to supplant tax-supported schools, but only to provide an education for children entitled to it.

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## Procedures Set For Church-State Issues

By C. EMANUEL CARLSON  
Director Baptist Joint Committee On Public Affairs  
Washington, D. C.

An important progress report on church-state policies, prepared by a special committee of 25, has been approved by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

There are at least six facets that have given shape to our Baptist concept in this matter. These are not explored by the Committee's report but are in the background. In discussing the issues we must keep these fully in view.

1. Separation means that the church has its own "reasons for being" and that these reasons are distinct from those of the state. Both church and state may desire law and order, defense against foreign enemies, an orderly and just economy, the protection of the person etc., but these are basically functions of the state and not of the churches.

2. Separation also means that each has its own "public." A person is born into the state, and the political community therefore normally includes all the people. Not all, however, accept the gospel, cultivate Christian faith, or seek to nurture the distinctive Christian way of life. The two "publics" overlap, and the churches should strive to win all. Nonetheless, the two publics are and must be "separate." If the church is a fellowship of faith it must of necessity be a voluntary group.

3. Furthermore, the methods of the church must be distinct from those of the state. Military action, police methods, and tax powers are all appropriate and usable toward the objectives of the state. These do not work as means by which to reach spiritual objectives.

4. Separation in the above matters requires that there be separate administrations of the two institutions. The church cannot be a "department of ecclesiastical affairs" in the government, and the government cannot be the "action department" of the church.

5. It follows that the two must have their own separate sources of revenue. The control of the purse represents final control of policy in the life of institutions. Accordingly, institutions that depend on tax funds are basically dependent on government regardless of how the Boards may be chosen.

6. If the above distinctions are valid, it also follows that church and state must each have their own appropriate educational programs. The churches cannot delegate the education of their members and of their leaders to the state. Neither is it in order for the churches to attempt to monopolize the channels of knowledge so as to limit the political and economic order to scope of the church programs. The former arrangement has always paralyzed the church, and the latter arrangement has stagnated the state.

The importance of these broad principles is not difficult to see. The problems arise when we try to show what they mean in practice. Such practical issues as government loans to sectarian dormitories and hospitals, government grants to religiously sponsored medical research, and government aid to the dependent people who are cared for by denominational agencies.

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## Mission Clinic Ready

A statewide Clinic for Associational Missionaries, Moderators and Clerks will be held at First Church, Jackson, Dec. 8-9, it has been announced by Rev. Gordon Sansing, state superintendent of Cooperative Missions.

Visiting speakers will include Dr. Sam Seantian, Superintendent of Rural and City Missions, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma; Dr. Floyd Chaffin, associate secretary, SBC Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas; J. P. Edwards, secretary, Research and Statistics Department, Sunday School Board, Nashville; Dr. Lewis W. Martin, secretary, Department of Missionary Education, SBC Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

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## Graham to Speak at Rio '60

WASHINGTON, D. C. (BWA)—Evangelist Billy Graham will address the tenth Baptist World Congress meeting at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 26-July 3, 1960.

Dr. Theodore F. Adams, president of the Baptist World Alliance, told the B. W. A. administrative committee at a meeting here that Mr. Graham, a Baptist, plans to attend the eight-day international meeting as one of the estimated 8,000 delegates from 100 countries around the world.



**SECRETARIES MEET**—State executive secretaries from 21 states met with Home Mission Board staff, Nov. 25, in Atlanta, to study ways of implementing the recommendation of the Survey Committee by working co-operatively to develop a unified mission program. They are pictured here with Dr. Courts

Redford, executive secretary, Home Board, and G. Frank Garrison, assistant executive secretary. Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Mississippi executive secretary, is fourth from end on right.



**BMC STUDENTS NAMED**—These Blue Mountain College students have just been selected for listing in Who's Who Among Students In American Universities And Colleges for the 1958-59 session. They are, seated, left to right: Gwenie Parker, Laurel; Gloria Lupo, Magnolia; Barbara White, Jackson, Tenn.; and Jo Beth Landrum, Laurel. Standing, left, Mary Alice Hearn, Nashville, Tenn.; and Monta Faye Moore, Memphis. This selection is the highest honor given American college students.

## Main St. Pledges \$197,688

Sunday night, Nov. 23 James R. Halbert, Budget Day Director, of the Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, announced that \$197,688.36 had been pledged toward the 1959 budget. This is over \$600 above the budget adopted by the church of \$197,045.20. The budget was pledged by 1,734 people, 1,055 of whom pledged to tithe.

For the past eleven years the church has followed a plan of over-subscribing the budget in one day. During these eleven years the church has never failed to go over the goal in one day.

This year the budget was increased by approximately \$50,000, or thirty per cent, and a goal of "over-subscribing the budget in one week" was adop-

### 30% Mission Increase

The approximately \$50,000 increase in the budget was largely contained in two different items. There was about a thirty per cent increase in gifts to missionary causes, and \$35,000 for the new building fund.

On November 16 a master pledging service was conducted in the church auditorium during the Sunday School hour. During the week the men of the church visited homes of those who failed to get their pledge cards in on November 16.

One of the high points of the preparation for Pledge Day was the Church Loyalty Dinner on Thursday night, November 13. At that time 635 members of the church and their families,

nine years of age and above, assembled at the Mississippi Southern College cafeteria for a fellowship dinner.

In addition to these, ninety were present for the Children's Party at the church, making a grand total of 725 taking part in the evening's activities.

Many hundreds of the members of the church took an active part in promoting the budget activities. "We wish to express our appreciation to each one who did so much to make the oversubscribing of our budget the success that it was," said Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor.



**Temple, Petal Pastor Takes Biloxi Position**

Rev. Justus L. Garrett, pastor Temple church, Petal, accepted the call to the Emmanuel Church, Biloxi. His first Sunday in his new pulpit will be December 7.

Among the accomplishments during the 31 months pastorate at Petal have been:

Instituting a church budget and using individual envelopes for giving; grading the Sunday school; building a parsonage at a cost of \$13,200; the purchase of an organ; 224 additions—158 by letter and 66 on profession of faith; increase in Sunday school enrollment from 165 to 364; average attendance from 104 to 225; Training Union enrollment from 65 to 150; attendance from 56 to 110; average gifts from \$199 to \$304; and church membership from 259 to 402.

Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, president of Blue Mt. College, is pictured in the Jan., Feb., Mar., 1951 issue of *The Quarterly Review*.

## Why Not Let The Preacher Preach

By John W. Drakeford  
(Professor of Psychology and Counseling Southwestern Seminary)

The term "preacher" is probably used more freely amongst Southern Baptists than among other denominations. Even among Baptists in other parts of the world the term "minister" or "pastor" is preferred. Southern Baptists' usage of this term shows their important emphasis on preaching. The mental picture created is that of the preacher standing up before the congregation to make his positive affirmation of "Thus saith the Lord." This is good, but there is a grave danger that we will see the work of all leaders in religious work in terms of this mental image and fail to recognize other very important aspects of leadership and teaching in vocational religious work.

**Difference Seen**  
Sunday School teacher, let the preacher preach! There is a difference between preaching and teaching. A systematic teaching ministry is meant to supplement the inspirational utterance of the preacher. However, the subtle temptation is always with the teacher to think of himself as a preacher with his class as his congregation. Thus class members become mere listeners rather than active participants in the learning situation, and a class member with a contribution that he would just love to make, secretly speculates as to what might happen if the Sunday school

teacher left the preaching to the preacher.

Music director, let the preacher preach! The minister of music can help so much in the spirit of a church service as he leads the music. But it is very easy for him to forget his main task of leading the singing and to become a preacher. Some ministers of music seem to consider it incumbent upon them to exhort the congregation periodically, to discourse at length upon what this hymn reminds them of, or to demand that people in the congregation should, "Look like the music." Many a long-suffering congregation smiles wanly and wishes that the music director would let the preacher do the preaching.

**Is Important**  
Pastor, let the preacher preach! Preaching is an important part of the pastor's total ministry but there are other parts. There is a new and growing interest in the counseling work of the pastor. Such a ministry is not always easy. From being forthright and dogmatic in the pulpit, the successful pastor has to become understanding, permissive and receptive in his manner. Above all, he must be willing to listen, and preachers are notoriously bad listeners. Yet in this very ministry of listening we are putting our emphasis back on the worth of the individual and fulfilling an important part of our ministry. Pastor, let the preacher preach.

### Remember . . .

(Continued from Page 1) of the European office of the Baptist World Alliance, a position held ad interim by Dr. Cook of London since the retirement of Dr. C. O. Lewis, due to ill health. Dr. Ruden at the same time becomes secretary of the European Federation, his service of both bodies to become effective in October, 1959. What program for European Baptists should now be projected?

### Bold Proposal

First came the bold proposal of Cooperative Program, with a comprehensive unified budget to be submitted to the 22 Unions and administered on their behalf by the Executive Committee for missionary and benevolent causes. The old budget called for \$1500 for expenses of the Committee. The new proposed budget calls for \$20,000! Major items are foreign missions and aid to distressed Baptist groups in the Eastern ("iron curtain") zone and to special projects such as the Memorial Church in Amsterdam, the Bible school in Poland, the Youth Center in Austria, and the promotion of evangelism and Christian education throughout Europe.

Perhaps the most significant aspect of this forward program is the proposal of a unified plan of Bible study and membership training. A subcommittee was appointed, of which I am a consultant member, to draft a plan of uniform lessons for European Baptist churches and to develop appropriate and attractive Baptist literature in the several languages represented. A good beginning has already been

made. Obviously the small Baptist bodies must have help at first, but cooperatively, and with some aid from Southern and American Conventions, essential printed materials for pupils and teachers can be produced. According to the outlines suggested, Sunday Schools will include young people and adults and not just children as heretofore.

### Many Difficulties

One has to live with these Baptist brethren of Europe to realize how enormous are their difficulties and how heroic is their faith as they face the new day of need and opportunity. My six months on the Continent have brought the deep conviction that as go Baptists, so may go Europe; and as goes Europe, so may go the world—toward destruction beyond all imagination or toward peace and progress beyond our dreams.

My memory goes back to the early years of my ministry—now fifty years ago—and my historical memory to our Southern Baptist beginnings 100 years ago. European Baptists are in many ways retracing our history as they struggle for recognition and unity. May we not fail to pray for them and help them as they enter this new era and as we remember what God has done for us!



Rev. John Couch

## Youth Festival To Be Held February 7

The first State-wide Youth Choir Festival, ages 13-24, will be held at Mississippi College February 7, 9:00 a. m. to 4:30 p. m.

Dr. Euell Porter of the Baylor University music faculty

### Procedures . . .

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In the face of these problems the North Carolina Committee recommended a procedure instead of a position.

### Requires Agencies

I. The Convention shall require its agencies and institutions to present any programs for government grants or any form of government aid not already authorized in kind by Convention action to the General Board of the Convention for review before agreements are made;

II. Acceptance of such grants or aid shall be based upon approval of both Trustees of the institution or agency involved and the General Board.

III. All institutions or agencies operating in cooperation with government as above shall report annually upon such operations to the General Board.

For guidance in this procedure three principles were proposed:

1. There shall be no element of control by the other, either actual or implied.

2. The Convention will enter no cooperative enterprise with government for the sole purpose of advancing its own interest.

3. The Convention and/or its institutions and agencies may accept assistance from government only in such cases as will enable it or them to render services commensurate with that assistance."

North Carolina has probably not found the formula that answers the vexing questions how to practice religious liberty in a "welfare state." Nevertheless, they have contributed valuable materials for our denomination-wide discussion.

will be guests conductor, according to W. C. Morgan, state music director.

The music to be used in this festival may be purchased through the Baptist Book Store or directly from the publisher.

The music is as follows:

"Guide Us Through the Night," Arr. by Williams, No. 5115; Pub. by Neil Kjos Music Co., Chicago, Illinois.

"The Love of God," Arr. by James, No. 6705; Pub. by Carl Fischer, New York, N. Y.

"Sanctus," Arr. by Norden, No. 84356; Pub. by Harold Flammer, New York, N. Y.

### Voice of Singing

"To God Be the Glory," Arr. by Leon F. Brown; Pub. by New Choral Music Co., Denton, Texas.

"With a Voice of Singing," Arr. by Shaw, No. 8103, Pub.



Dr. Euell Porter

by G. Schirmer, Inc. New York, N. Y.

"O Ye That Loveth the Lord," Arr. by Morgan, No. 1637, Pub. by Hall and McCreary Music Publishers, Park at 6th, Minneapolis, 15, Minnesota.

Rev. Joseph N. Causey is pastor of First Church, Tupelo.



**GRIFFITH STAFFERS**—Jerry Rogers (left) who has received his B. A., B. D. and Master of Education degrees is the associate pastor of Griffith Church, Jackson, while Miss D'Alice Leddingham (right), is church secretary. Dr. Kermit Canterbury is pastor and Miss Delores Holmes is Youth Director.

## Copiah County 'M' Night December 5

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor of First Church, Jackson, will be the speaker for Copiah County 'M' Night, which will be held December 5 at First Church, Hazlehurst, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

### PASTOR LEADS McCOMB MEET

The South McComb Church, Herman P. Hayles, Pastor, will be in revival services Dec. 7-14. Regularly scheduled services will be held on both Sundays.

Services will be held throughout the week at 7:00 P. M. The pastor will be the evangelist and Donald Brown, minister of music, will be in charge of the music.

### Jones Men Meet

The Jones County Brotherhood meeting will be Dec. 9 at West Laurel Church at 6:30 p. m. It will be a supper meeting with the host church serving the meal.

Dr. John E. Barnes, pastor of Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, will be the speaker. The major emphasis of the program will be on missions. Harvey Easterling is president.

**BIRMINGHAM** — (BP)—Alabama Baptist State Convention elected B. Locke Davis, pastor of Parker Memorial Baptist Church, Anniston, Ala., president. He succeeds Harold W. Seever of Mobile. It celebrated the 150th anniversary of Baptist work in Alabama at its recent annual session here.

## Baptist Briefs

**BEMBE**, Angola — (BWA)—The native church at Bembe reported 124 baptisms last year, the largest number in a decade. After the coffee harvest last September, the Sunday school was reorganized and its enrollment boosted to a total of 441.

**WINSTON-SALEM**, N. C. — (BP)—Wake Forest College here has been awarded a \$58,800 grant from the National Science Foundation to conduct an institute for high school teachers of science and mathematics next summer.

**BIRMINGHAM** — (BP)—Alabama Baptists said here that "religious freedom for all citizens . . . could be jeopardized by the election of an individual as President of the United States whose religion teaches him his church should be supported by the state and be above the state."

**NEW ORLEANS** — Dr. Frank Tripp, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Hospital Board, and formerly director of the SMC Hundred Thousand Club, plans to retire June 1 of 1959 and live in Montgomery, Ala., a former home.

**WASHINGTON** — Dr. Duke K. McCall of Louisville, Ky., was reelected for the fourth term as President of the National Temperance League at its biennial meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, November 12, 1958. The National Temperance League has 42 interchurch state affiliates throughout America.

**NASHVILLE**, Tenn. — (BSSB)—Miss Doris Cutter, of Alexandria, La., has been named assistant editor of the Adult Lesson Courses in the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

**MONTREAT**, N. C. (RNS)—Among hundreds of telegrams received by Evangelist Billy Graham congratulating him on his 40th birthday was one from the All-Union Council of Evangelical Christians (Baptist) in Moscow which surprised him.

**DURHAM**, N. C. — (AP)—Dr. M. A. Huggins, general secretary-treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina has announced he will retire next June 30. He has held that office since 1932.

**OKLAHOMA CITY** — (BP)—The Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma has girded itself for an expected battle with the liquor interests, who are seeking to repeal the state's prohibition laws.

**GLORIETA**, N. M. (BSSB)—E. A. Herron, manager of Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Glorieta, New Mexico, is the subject of an article, "E. A. Herron, Dedicated Layman," in the Santa Fe Scene, (New Mexico) a magazine of weekly news and features.

**OKLAHOMA CITY** (BP)—The Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma has two new denominational workers, one (Lewis G. Stone) in its child care department and the other (Marcellus Williams) in its work with Indian Baptists in the state.

**PEORIA**, Ill.—Spry 88-year-old Mrs. Elizabeth Vinz, a member of the State Park Baptist church, Peoria, for 75 years, has outlived three church buildings and recently helped break ground for the fourth. Mrs. Vinz went to Sunday school at the original church site, a little wooden building.

**CULPEPPER**, Va. — Mrs. J. Thomas Norman, who began playing an organ in church at the age of 12, scheduled a piano recital at Stevensburg Baptist church, Culpepper, recently to celebrate her 90th birthday. She is a substitute Sunday school pianist.

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**PRIMARY BOYS**—Primary boys at the Baptist Orphanage in Jackson stand in front of their home, the Memorial Building. House mothers are Mrs. Idell McNair at left and Mrs. Clara Tay at right.

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W. C. FIELDS, Editor

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### Passing This Way But Once

Governor J. P. Coleman keeps on his desk Mark Twain's statement: "Let us so live that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry."

### Our Interest In Foreign Missions

We Mississippians are interested in missionary work in other lands.

Since the establishment of the Foreign Mission Board in 1845 a total of 122 Mississippians have served as missionaries abroad. Among many other reasons, we have an interest in missions because of these people.

There are several hundred young people scattered throughout the state at this time who have surrendered their lives for vocational Christian service. Some of them will eventually go to other shores to invest their lives.

We are interested in missions because of personal bonds.

We are staunch supporters of foreign missions because Woman's Missionary Union has kept the cause before us for many years.

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for foreign missions deserves the personal attention of every Baptist in every church.

The Mississippi goal is \$323,256, an eleven percent increase over the gifts of last year.

While doing some effective preaching in the state this week in the interest of missions, Dr. Eugene Hill of the Foreign Mission Board indicated the importance of this annual offering to the work of missions. Since the offering began as a yearly feature in 1888 it has brought in approximately \$45,000,000 for mission work abroad.

The WMU Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, in progress this week, is a reminder to the men in the churches as well as the women that the business of missions is the business of every Christian.

### Of Principalities And Powers

Speaking to the Jackson Rotary Club this week U. S. Senator John C. Stennis gave some of the significant things he observed during a recent trip through Iron Curtain countries.

He delivered a timely warning to the American people, stressing the strategic importance of moral force and spiritual power in this struggle for the minds of men.

"Our security," he pointed out, "must be built on a real strength of our own, rather than on imaginary weaknesses of the enemy."

### On The December Agenda

Dr. Francis Carr Stifler, former secretary of the American Bible Society, is the author of an arresting little article that suggests: do your Christmas thinking early.

As an aid to that very project—sortng out and arranging the values surrounding Christmas—the Society is sponsoring a world-wide Bible reading campaign from Thanksgiving to Christmas.

In the middle of this emphasis, now in its fifteenth year, the Society urges the observance of Universal Bible Sunday, December 14.

As enthusiastic supporters of the work of the American Bible Society, Mississippi Baptists commend the great work which this non-denominational organization continues to do. Regarding that early Christmas thinking, Dr. Stifler says, "The opportunities of Christmas are limitless, if you approach them in the spirit of Christ, God's great gift, and leave time to give your plans plenty of thought."

### Capable Advisors

Henry Harris, editor and publisher of the West Point Daily Times-Leader, was re-elected by the recent state convention as chairman of The Baptist Record Advisory Committee.

In expressing appreciation for his helpfulness in this advisory capacity we would like also to indicate something of his worth to the entire cause of Christ. This dedicated and articulate layman has just been elected a director of the Southern Newspaper Publishers Association. In addition he is the president of the Mississippi Press Association. We feel fortunate in having for the year ahead the assistance of four other capable men who were elected to membership on the Advisory Committee.

Purser Hewitt, executive editor of the Jackson Clarion-Ledger, has been a tremendous influence for good in Mississippi for years. He is a deacon and former president of the Mississippi Convention.

Three fine pastors, known and respected in state Baptist life, complete this important committee. They are, Rev. B. T. Bishop of Meadville, Dr. R. A. Tullos of Vicksburg, and Rev. Sam Waggener of Petal.

## Quotables

SELECTED BY THE EDITOR FROM CONTEMPORARY THOUGHT AND OPINION

**A FAULT WHICH** humbles a man is of more use to him than a virtue which puffs him up.

**THE ONLY THING** we can remember about the speed of light is the fact that it gets here too soon in the morning.—Wall Street Journal.

**A SUCCESSFUL MARRIAGE** speaks volumes — A cookbook, a checkbook and a prayer book.—Adrian Anderson.

**TO SEE WHAT IS RIGHT** and not to do it, is want of courage.—Confucius.

**GOVERNMENT BUREAU:** Where the taxpayer's shirt is kept.—Herb Stein.

**THE BIBLE** is the spiritual mainstay of the defense of America.—Albert M. Brucker.



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### PREACHER WHO USES NOTES

### UNPOPULAR WITH BAPTISTS

CHARLESTON, S. C., February, 1807 — (BP) — The Baptist preacher who can't stand up in a pulpit and deliver a sermon without notes wins little more respect from his congregation today than a marksman who can't fire a rifle without a rest.

As for the pastor who writes out his sermons and reads them, he is about as popular with Baptists as a leader of the state church. A preacher who is no more "apt to teach" than that, many Baptists agree, may have misunderstood his calling.

Few Baptist pastors would attempt to read a sermon today, although the practice is common in other denominations. When a Baptist preacher does read, it usually is a special occasion or a message of particular significance. He sometimes gives a careful explanation of his action before reading.

#### Without Notes!

Most leading Baptist preachers speak without any notes. Richard Furman, for example,

seldom uses notes when he preaches from his pulpit here in Charleston.

Baptists who do use notes in the pulpit sometimes attempt to cover up their props. This bit of subterfuge may lead to embarrassment, however. If the preacher's notes become covered up or fall to the floor during his sermon, he is likely to have difficulty in bringing the service to a satisfactory conclusion.

Some observers have noted dangers in an over-emphasis on extemporaneous speaking however. Preachers who make little preparation before entering the pulpit, for example, frequently have nothing fresh to say. As a result their sermons follow the same lines Sunday after Sunday.

This changing attitude toward the impromptu speaker may indicate trend to more careful preparation of sermons and a more liberal attitude by Baptists with reference to written messages and the use of notes in the pulpit.

### Hardened Sinner Meets The Savior

C. Wade Freeman  
Secretary, Department of Evangelical Baptist General Convention of Texas

At 2:30 a. m. Pastor Tom Brandon answered his phone and a calm woman's voice said, "J. C. wants to see you."

Members of Fort Worth's Wichita Street Baptist Church had been praying for J. C. for more than three years. On Wednesday night of a revival, he was in the service but no decisions were made for Christ. However, at the close of the service the church pastor, Tom Brandon, said, "If anyone needs me, night or day, please call and I'll come immediately."

Thirty hours later J. C.'s wife asked for help. Thursday, after his work day, J. C. told his

wife that he had to get away and was going fishing. Within a few hours he returned and asked her to call the "preacher."

#### Asked To Be Taught

In the quiet hours of the early morning, the man, whom most members thought would never make a decision for Christ, asked to be taught how to believe. He wept aloud, prayed for forgiveness of sins, accepted the Saviour and shed tears again as he experienced the joy of salvation.

During Friday evening's revival services, J. C. shared his new life experience with the congregation. The pastor said, "This experience has strengthened my heart in the faith that the Holy Spirit convicts deeply."

## Pressures Increase On Spain Baptists

### By Mrs. Charles W. Whitten

Tonight I stepped back into the first century. At 8:07 p. m. my husband, our three children, and I came out the front door of a dingy apartment building in Barcelona, Spain, with an air of studied casualness.

Mrs. Whitten and her husband, both natives of Mississippi, are Southern Baptist missionaries in Spain.

We walked toward the little car that we had parked on a side street away from the building in order not to attract attention. We did not turn to wave good-by to our friends because we had been warned against congregating in groups or making any public manifestation. As we drove away from the area where Third Baptist Church is located, we felt that we had worshiped in the caves of the first-century Christians.

### Home Meetings Planned

This period of persecution for Third Church began in September when the police notified the pastor that if meetings were continued in the little rented hall the church would be closed.

A plan was then worked out to have home meetings.

Tonight at 5:45 a half-dozen leaders of the church met for prayer in the apartment of one of the deacons. The pastor asked God to use present circumstances for his glory and to

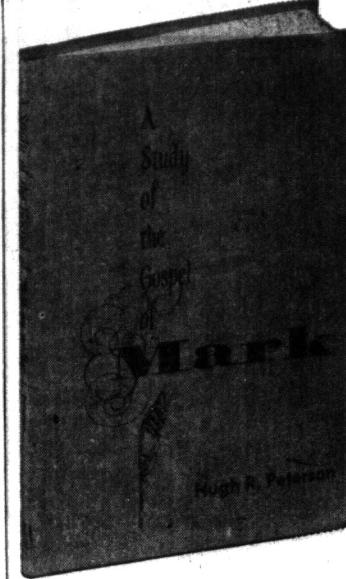
make the membership strong enough to carry on despite difficulties. Five minutes later the six men left the apartment and divided up for the three home meetings which had been arranged.

The meeting my family attended was held in a third-floor apartment a block from the church building. The living room, about eight by 14 feet, was so packed that the preacher could scarcely get to the front to speak. The vestibule and entrance hall were full, and several people were in the kitchen and adjoining bedrooms.

### Air of Sadness

There was an air of profound sadness intermingled with a spirit of joy in being able to continue meeting. We sang hymns very softly to avoid attracting attention. The prayers were full of emotion. The service was carried on as if it had been held in the church building; but every time the doorbell rang, the little congregation looked nervously toward the door, half expecting the police to enter.

The message was on "Christian Hope," and the final prayer reaffirmed the assurance that God's grace is sufficient for our every need. With kisses and handshakes around the circle, the little group filed out one by one, down the dark stairway and into the street to face another week.



## New Books

A STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF MARK by Hugh R. Peterkin (Convention Press, 150 pp., \$60) — the January Bible Study Week book for 1959, placed at the eye-level of laymen, a clear-headed, understandable exposition of the basic Gospel, expertly done by one of the speakers at the recent state convention, a New Zealander-American now administrative dean, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF SPINOZA by Harry Austryn Wolfson (Meridian Books, Inc., 392 pp., \$1.95) — an Olympian treatment by a Harvard professor of the vast, flooding fountain of medieval life from which Spinoza drank so deeply.

HISTORY OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE by Max Magolis and Alexander Marx (Meridian Books, Inc., 752 pp., \$1.95) — probably the most authoritative study of the subject in this century, a prodigious work by two men unquestionably competent to set forth the long, long story of their own people.

THE YEARS THAT COUNT by Rosalind Rinker (Zondervan, 118 pp., 18 vital questions into the reader's life, helping him or her find the Christian answer to teen-age problems.

ALL THE MEN OF THE BIBLE by Herbert Lockyer (Zondervan, 381 pp., \$4.95) — 3,000 of them, assorted for a handy acquaintance with the inquiring student of the Bible, a complete profile on personalities of both Testaments.

CALIFORNIA CULT by H. T. Dohrman (Beacon Press, 163 pp., \$3.95) — a dispassionate and sensible study (18 months of research under a Harvard fellowship) of "Mankind United," one (but a typical one) of many off-beat, semi-religious groups that flourished in that zany Pandora's Box called California.

THE ROLE OF KNOWLEDGE IN WESTERN RELIGION by John Herman Randall Jr. (Beacon Press, 147 pp., \$3.50) — some fresh air for the debate halls where the old proposition, science vs. religion, seems now to be incorrectly stated; some stimulating discussion by a Columbia University professor as we move into 1959, the centennial year of Charles Darwin's Origin of the Species.

THOMASVILLE, N. C. — (BP) — Thomas P. Pruitt, 65, prominent lawyer and outstanding Baptist layman, died Sunday, Nov. 16, in Hickory, N. C., his home.

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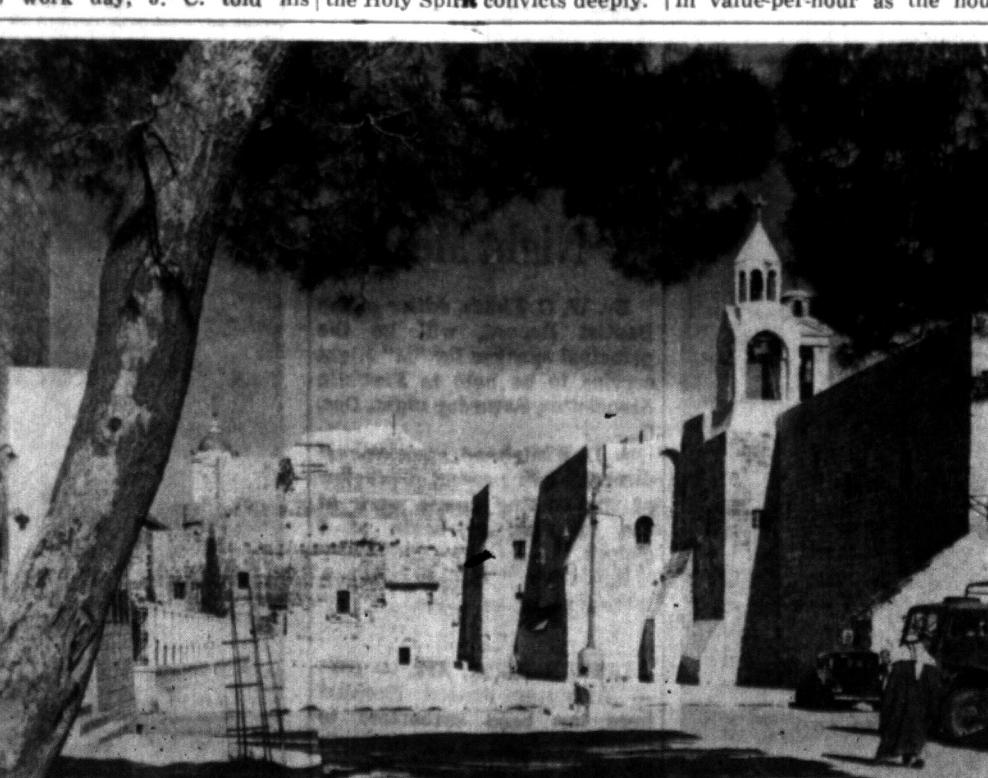
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THE CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY in Bethlehem is built over a grotto which marks the traditional site where Christ was born 2,000 years ago. On the floor of the grotto the exact spot of the Nativity is believed to be marked by the Star of Bethlehem. (RNS Photo).

# STATE MISSION WEEK OF PRAYER OFFERING

The State Mission Week of Prayer Offering through November 25, has reached a total of \$47,127.82 with 877 Woman's Missionary Unions contributing.

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### Missionaries' Child Drowns

KODIAK, Alaska (RNS)—The three-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Fairchild of Leoti, Kans., American Baptist Convention missionaries, drowned in Mission Lake here after walking on its thin crust of ice.

Recovering their only son, Robby, from the icy water 200 feet from shore, the couple hailed a passing auto and rushed the child to a hospital. But it was too late.

The tragedy occurred only two months after the Fairchilds arrived here for their first term of service under the American Baptist Home Mission Societies. They were houseparents at the denomination's Kodiak Children's Home.

They returned to Kansas the following day for Robby's funeral.

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### Takes New Post

Rev. W. B. Boatner has recently accepted the position of Supt. of Missions in Neshoba County after having served in the same position in Adams-Union Associations for the past 5½ years.

He is a graduate of Clarke Memorial College and Mississippi College and attended New Orleans Seminary. His new address is 539 Holland Avenue, Philadelphia.

then the church went "over the top" of the budget by a margin of \$1,687.20.

#### 21 Decisions

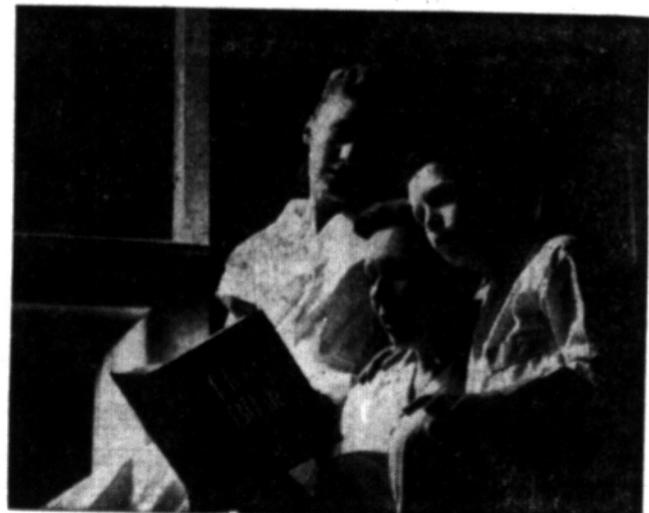
During the year there were 21 decisions for Christ either by profession of faith, by letter, or by baptism.

The home was completed in August, 1958. Open House was held on the same day as the Dedication Service with 104 friends coming and admiring the home. Rev. James D. Watson is pastor.



The pastorum of Clear Creek Church, Oxford, has been dedicated debt-free.

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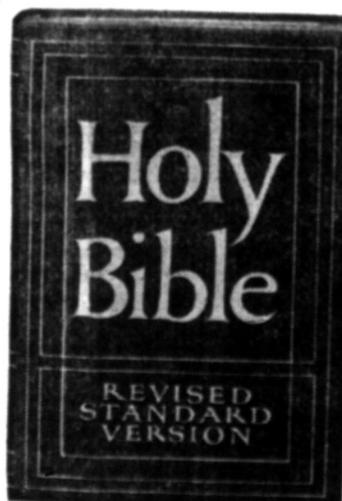
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## THE ORIGINAL CP

By DR. WAYNE BARTON  
Professor, New Orleans Seminary

We are all the time saying it. "All things work together for good." But do they? Such a view is no more than fatalism, though perhaps in reverse.

Of course, there is more to it than that. "All things work together for good to them that love God." But do they? Add, if you prefer, "to them who are the called according to his purpose." But do they? Such a view is no more than determinism, though perhaps a benevolent, theocratic determinism, if you please.

What Paul said, quite literally, was: "With the ones loving God, with the ones being called according to His purpose, He (God) is co-operating all things into a good thing." (Romans 8:28).

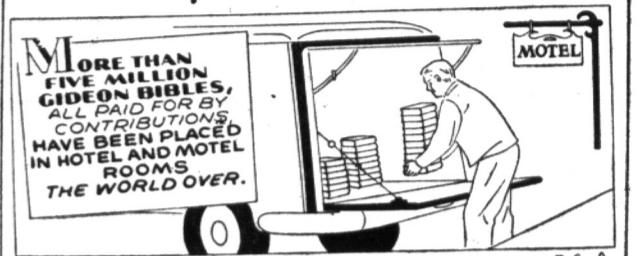
"Out of the night that covers me,  
Black as the Pit from pole to pole,  
I thank whatever gods may be  
For my unconquerable soul."

It matters not how strait the gate,  
How charged with punishments the scroll,  
I am master of my fate;  
I am the captain of my soul."

So said William Henley in these lines from "Invictus." And for years he has been denounced as an atheist for having thus spoken. Perhaps he was an atheist. But there is a sense in which he was right. God wills the "good" thing for us, but He will not impose His will upon us. However, with our cooperation He will work all things for our good. This is the original Cooperative Program.

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## FOREIGN MISSION BOARD REPORTS TO THE PEOPLE

#### Both Missionaries and Money Needed for Missions Advance

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, reported a deepening interest by Southern Baptists in world missions at the Board's November meeting. He and other secretaries of the Board have attended the recent annual meetings of Baptist state conventions.

"In every instance there was a deep desire to know more about world need and our responsibility for sharing Christ with our fellow man," Dr. Cauthen said. "We can anticipate from these meetings of state conventions many people who will feel God's leadership to missionary service.

"The Foreign Mission Board is a channel through which the 31,000 churches in fellowship with the Southern Baptist Convention project their mission efforts across the world. Much of this effort is reflected in the fact that already the Convention-wide Cooperative Program budget has been reached and money is now being received from Advance Program funds."

(The Southern Baptist Convention's operating budget was met early in November. All Cooperative Program funds received by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention from that time through December 31, called Advance Program funds, are shared by the Foreign and the Home Mission Boards, with the Foreign Mission Board receiving 75 per cent.)

Dr. Cauthen continued: "We are approaching a season when the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering will be uppermost in the thinking of Baptists. It is our hope that the Offering this year may be greater than ever before, not only in the amount of money given, but in the qualities of prayer, study, and dedication which are so vital."

"We are often asked which is needed more desperately, missionaries or money. We explain that in the operation of foreign mission work approximately one third of our income is required to maintain missionaries on the fields, one third is required to finance programs of work, and one third is required to construct necessary buildings."

"However, we follow a definite policy of sending the missionaries who are qualified to go and doing the best we can about our other responsibilities. There are financial needs totaling more than \$3,000,000 which we are unable to supply; but we are assured that our major step in mission advance is that of placing missionaries in larger numbers throughout the world."

"We will come to the close of 1958 having reached our objective of 130 missionaries. We will enter 1959 with high anticipation of appointing 140. We are constantly encouraged by the high quality of people who are yielding themselves to God for missionary service."

"Across the world missionaries and national Christian leaders are preparing for 1959 as a year of evangelism. Extensive plans are being made in

many countries. Efforts will call for simultaneous evangelistic meetings and crusades in large cities."

"There is increasing indication that further large-scale efforts in evangelism will emerge as progress continues. Every step taken in these efforts has indicated the value and wisdom of reinforcing our witness to Christ by special evangelistic measures. When these efforts are followed by adequate measures in church development the work on mission fields presses forward in a very definite way."

#### Eight Spanish Baptist Churches Now Closed

Dr. Cornell Goerner, the Board's secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, reported that the Baptist church at Seville, Spain, was closed on November 10 by order of the Spanish Government. "The addition of this church to the list brings to eight the total number of Baptist churches in Spain which have felt the hard hand of religious oppression from the central Government of Spain," he said.

Third Baptist Church of Barcelona, and Third Baptist Church of Madrid, were closed in September. Previously, five other churches had been closed or seriously restricted in their activities. There are 42 Baptist congregations in Spain.

Dr. Goerner said that in the Middle East "a relatively quiet situation has developed for the time being." The Baptist school in Beirut, Lebanon, reports a record attendance. Rev. and Mrs. John W. Turner have been able to move to Tripoli, in the north of Lebanon where the revolution first broke out last May. They report that the work of the churches is gradually moving back toward normal in this dominantly Moslem area of the country.

#### Secretaries Aboard

Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, and Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America, are now overseas attending to mission business in the respective areas for which they have responsibility. Both will return to their offices by mid-December.

DALLAS — Leases are now being negotiated for space in the Relief and Annuity Board's new 15-floor Annuity Center under construction in downtown Dallas. The Center, to be completed in June, 1959, will lease space on 12 floors with the Relief and Annuity Board occupying two full floors and part of a third.

EAST SPENCER, N. C. (RNS) — East Spencer (N. C.) Baptist church has dropped its demand that the North Carolina Baptist State Convention's General Board apologize to its controversial pastor, Dr. James Bullman for denying him the floor at the convention's annual meeting last year.

NASHVILLE — (BP) — R. Kelly White, president of Belmont College here, a four-year school owned by Tennessee Baptist Convention, has announced he will retire Aug. 31, 1959.



BOYS AT PLAY—W. G. Mize, superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage, plays with four of his boys, from left: Tyrone Cutrer, W. T. West, Terry Archer, Rickey Morris.

## In 50th Year As Minister

By ELSIE MAY CHAMBERS  
Clarion-Ledger State Editor

Dr. R. B. Gunter, for many years an outstanding figure in Baptist circles in Mississippi, and for the last few years the pastor of the Briarhill church

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Dr. R. B. Gunter

in Rankin county, was honored Sunday at his church on the occasion of his 50th anniversary as a minister.

It was 50 years ago Nov. 23 that Dr. Gunter was ordained as a Baptist minister in the Standing Pine Baptist Church in Leake County, and 50 years ago Nov. 30 that he preached his first sermon there from the text 2nd Timothy 1:12: " . . . for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

Sunday Dr. Gunter did not preach, but rather listened to his church members and friends from other churches talk about him.

J. M. Taylor, chairman of the Board of Deacons of Briarhill, presided, and read telegrams and messages from others who could not be present.

The church choir sang, and Rev. Joe Canzoneri, of Jackson sang a solo. Mrs. Canzoneri, also present, is the daughter of Dr. A. M. Barnett, of Leake county, who preached the ordination sermon for Dr. Gunter half century ago.

### Book of Letters

Principal speaker for the morning was Avon H. Doty, of Jackson, representing Dr. W. A. Hewitt, a former pastor of the church, who was unable to be present. Dr. R. A. McLemore, president of Mississippi College, was also present and brought greetings to Dr. Gunter.

Among many other guests present were Professor A. S. McLendon, of Jackson, a former teacher of Dr. Gunter's, and E. C. Williams, formerly head of the Baptist Sunday School work in the state. Dr. Gunter was at one time pastor of Dr. Williams'

### Executive Secretary

Dr. Gunter, who is resigning the work at Briarhill the first of the year because of his eyes, has been the pastor there for the last four and a half years. At a former time he served the church for a five year period. Dr. Gunter has served a number of rural churches, including several in Leake county, where he began his ministry.

It was about 35 years ago, however, that denominational leaders sought out the young minister and made him secretary of the Baptist Education Commission. He held the post for two years and under his leadership Baptists paid off the college indebtedness.

Two years later he was made executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, a post he held for 18 years. Dr. and Mrs. Gunter now make their home in Jackson.

A large congregation attended the celebration Sunday and also enjoyed the "dinner on the ground" arranged especially for Dr. Gunter.

## Sunday School And Training Union Attendance

November 30, 1958

Aberdeen, First . . . . . 364 123

Amory, First . . . . . 472 174

Antioch (Lowndes) . . . . . 165 107

Batesville, First . . . . . 459 195

Belden . . . . . 130 109

Bethel (Copiah) . . . . . 117 99

Booneville, First . . . . . 343 125

Brookhaven, First . . . . . 847 339

(Southway Chapel . . . . . 76 41

(Halbert Heights . . . . . 47 36

Bruce, First . . . . . 302 123

Bucatunna (Clarke) . . . . . 70 36

Byram . . . . . 229 164

Calhoun City, First . . . . . 323 155

Clarksdale . . . . . 467 172

(Fairview Mission . . . . . 22

Cleveland, First . . . . . 414 96

(Chinese Mission . . . . . 39

Cleveland, Immanuel . . . . . 214 106

Collins . . . . . 178 128

Columbia, First . . . . . 694 273

Corinth, Calvary . . . . . 106 59

Corinth, East . . . . . 212 126

Cruger . . . . . 54 43

Crystal Springs, First . . . . . 624 253

Dexie (Lebanon) . . . . . 179 123

Drew . . . . . 223 83

Floodwood . . . . . 96 68

Foxworth . . . . . 204 91

Glenfield (Union Co.) . . . . . 96 86

Greenville, Parkview . . . . . 353 115

Greenwood, North . . . . . 311 103

Gulfport, Bayou View . . . . . 129 64

Gulfport, First . . . . . 860 293

Gulfport, Grace Mem. . . . . 269 104

Hattiesburg, First . . . . . 569 208

Hattiesburg—

Main St. . . . . 1008 519

N. Main Miss. . . . . 45 52

(Wayside Mission . . . . . 39 39

38th Avenue . . . . . 237 135

(Bonhomie Miss. . . . . 13

Houston, First . . . . . 354 172

Jackson—

Alta Vista . . . . . 30 41

Alta Woods . . . . . 690 337

Broadmoor . . . . . 576 261

Calvary . . . . . 1519 520

(Mission . . . . . 35 25

Daniel Mem. . . . . 937 438

First . . . . . 1489 519

Highland . . . . . 181 103

Hillcrest . . . . . 335 205

Midway . . . . . 283 113

Northside . . . . . 686 227

Parkhill . . . . . 131 78

Parkway . . . . . 977 555

Ridgecrest . . . . . 628 227

Southside . . . . . 292 198

Van Winkle . . . . . 626 349

West Jackson . . . . . 407 181

Kosciusko, First . . . . . 637 195

(Maple Mission . . . . . 14

Laurel—

First . . . . . 596 185

Highland . . . . . 377 173

Plainway . . . . . 113 123

Wildwood . . . . . 347 140

Lucedale, First . . . . . 369 149

Long Beach . . . . . 343 111

(DeLisle Miss. . . . . 16 14

Longview (Oktibbeha . . . . . 95 79

Meridian—

Central . . . . . 196 122

Locust St. . . . . 107 59

Navilla . . . . . 125 65

South . . . . . 279 98

Meridian—

First . . . . . 841 256

Arrowood . . . . . 82 34

Eighth Ave. . . . . 196 84

Eastview . . . . . 136 89

Emmanuel . . . . . 78 62

Highland . . . . . 612 216

Calvary . . . . . 398 216

Fifteenth Ave. . . . . 616 301

Poplar Sprgs. Dr. . . . . 492 187

(Grandview Chapel . . . . . 30 21

Oakland Heights . . . . . 326 148

Oak Grove . . . . . 95 70

Morton, First . . . . . 243 127

Natchez, First . . . . . 566 199

Natchez, Morganstown . . . . . 204 113

New Albany, North Side . . . . . 90 67

New Albany, First . . . . . 662 231

Newton, First . . . . . 408 173

Niland Chapel (Bolivar) . . . . . 82 95

Oxford, First . . . . . 481 249

Pascagoula, First . . . . . 641 226

(McArthur Chapel . . . . . 46 15

Pearl (Rankin) . . . . . 243 122

Petal, Crestview . . . . . 74 52

Petal-Harvey . . . . . 389 196

(Harvey Missions . . . . . 46 41

Petal, Temple . . . . . 186 83

Picayune, First . . . . . 569 132

(Mission . . . . . 17

Potts Camp . . . . . 109 33

Purvis, First . . . . . 268 102

Ripley, First . . . . . 338 148

E. Ripley Miss. . . . . 37 28

Ruth . . . . . 81 63

Sharon, First . . . . . 157 69

Sharon (Gulf Coast) . . . . . 56 42

Soso, First . . . . . 124 74

Springfield (Scott) . . . . . 147 96

Starkville, First . . . . . 669 324

Sumrall, First . . . . . 115 65

Tupelo, First . . . . . 489 163

Tupelo, Harrisburg . . . . . 574 217

Union, First . . . . . 362 135

Wayside (Yalobusha) . . . . . 36 33

West End (Winston) . . . . . 54 51

Winona, First . . . . . 466 167

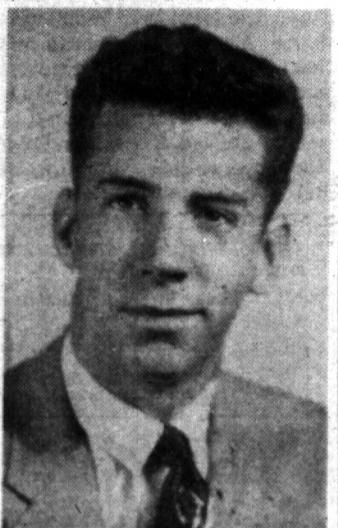
## Crusade Service Gives Right Meaning Of Life To Airman

Roy D. Gresham  
General Secretary  
Maryland Baptist Union  
Association

**Editor's note:** This is the fifth in a series of soul-winning experiences reported by state convention leaders. The series is a part of evangelism preparation for the 1959 Baptist Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade.

Determined to "catch-up on living" but taking time to hear his brother sing in a revival choir, an airman back from overseas duty changed his mind about the meaning of life.

The airman had completed a tour of duty in France and on his way to a new assignment stopped to visit a brother in Baltimore. The brother's church,



Bill Wilkinson

### JOINS STAFF AT LONG CREEK

Bill Wilkinson, Clarke College student, has accepted the position of Minister of Music at Long Creek Church in Lauderdale County, Rev. Ernest Steelman, pastor.

President of the Youth Fellowship in Meridian, Mr. Wilkinson conducted a special music service at the church on November 30.

Middle River Baptist, was participating in an associational simultaneous evangelistic Crusade. The airman was in the city during the last revival service.

Out of respect, the 25-year-old veteran of world travels consented to attend the services and hear his brother sing.

Instead of only hearing a church choir, the young airman heard a message to his soul. He first believed that the evangelist was talking about the spiritual needs of several people he knew. Then he became aware of a direct message to a man who was "bent on taking the world apart and putting pieces of it together to suit himself."

Since the airman didn't live in the community and no one knew him except his brother, the congregation wouldn't suspect how he felt inside. The invitation became more personal and almost embarrassing. But no one else knew this and the services couldn't last long. After the final prayer and a few days visit, the airman knew that he could forget about his sentimental feelings.

With almost an audible sigh of relief, he realized that the last verse of the invitation hymn was being sung. It seemed as though his brother was singing to him personally. And suddenly he knew there was only one right thing to do.

Before the last verse was completed, the airman made a decision for Christ and walked to the front of the church.

His previous ambition to catch-up on living didn't change but his follow-through had a different meaning.

When he left Baltimore, the veteran airman knew that catching-up meant baptism and church membership. And he was grateful to a Baptist church where a sermon, prayers and a hymn of invitation could be so personal that a man would look at his real self and find himself in Christ.



PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN.—Several pre-school children eat lunch in dining hall at Baptist Orphanage in Jackson. Seated around the table, from left, are: Mrs. Clyde Lee, Miss Karen Morris, Mrs. Eunice Odom, Miss Mary Elizabeth Golls and Miss Lenna Morris.

## DEVOTIONAL

### A One Track Mind

By REV. TOM DOUGLAS, Pastor  
First Church, Pontotoc

We frequently hear someone say, "Oh, I have a one track mind." This is usually said in such a way as to infer that others may be able to think about several things at a time, but you can't. Some people can think so fast that they actually do seem to be thinking about several things at the same time, and others can do one job and be thinking about something else, but for all practical purposes we all have a "one track mind."

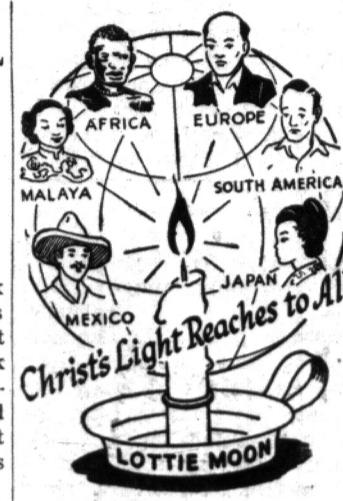
Many years ago Thomas Chalmers preached a sermon on this idea which he called "The Explosive Power of a New Affection." He related that the thought was given to him by a coachman who told him that whenever his horses came to a place in the road where they might get frightened he gave them a flick with the whip to give them something else to think about.

#### Only One Master

This is like the man who had a headache but he forgot all about it when he hit his finger with a hammer. The finger hurt worse and he forgot the lesser pain. A one track mind . . . I think it was with this basic idea in mind that Jesus said, "No man can serve two masters" Matthew 6:24a. In the verses which precede this we are encouraged to treasure heavenly treasures. This can be done by righteousness in general. To be more specific, we can do this by the right use of material possessions, even to the point of the cup of water given in His name.

#### Treasures

In this passage Jesus points out that we should not lay up treasures on earth because earthly possessions are so uncertain, because they soon pass away, and because they tend to turn the mind away from God. Plato expressed this idea when he said, "To prize wealth, and at the same time largely acquire wisdom, is impossible, for a man necessarily disregards the one or the other." This is THE ONE TRACK MIND.



### Moulder Reunion

On Thanksgiving Day relatives and friends held a reunion at the Goodwater Church in Simpson County in memory of the parents and grandparents of the late Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Moulder. A program was held followed by lunch and the decoration of the graves.

NEW YORK — (BP) — The American Bible Society here has printed one million copies of the Gospel of John for the Southern Baptist Convention's "New Life for You" emphasis during 1959.

HONG KONG, China — (BWA) — The Hong Kong Baptist College began its third session with 565 students, 284 freshmen, 195 sophomores, and 86 juniors. A total of 638 boys and girls took tests in competition for enrollment as freshmen.



REFUGEE PROBLEM UNSOLVED—New York—The problem of 900,000 homeless Arab refugees remains unsolved ten years after the Arab-Israeli war. Thousands of families still live in tents, caves or ruins such as shown here. Protestant agencies continue to send relief supplies but according to Henry R. Labouisse, former director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency, the problem has been politically "pushed under the rug." —(Religious News Service Photo).

## My Tragic Pulpit Failures

By S. L. Morgan, Sr.  
Wake Forest, N. C.

Three black pulpit failures stand out like blots on my fifty joyous years as a preacher. What preacher does not look back with shame at some past pulpit experience? Many a poor sermon caused me shame; but these three were calamities. I refer to them to tell others how to avoid them.

The first and worst was an effort to preach when I had no sermon and knew it—painfully. For several days I had scanned American history to find God in it. For God is in history, and I hold that any preacher misses a great segment of God's revelation, if he doesn't now and then point out how God has been working in the history of the world. I hoped to point this

out in a Sunday morning sermon.

Saturday night came, but not the sermon. My reading had given me only the background for it. Desperate efforts to find the sermon utterly failed. Then to a late hour I searched desperately to find an old sermon to fall back on. Equally vain. What preacher but has failed to find anything that seemed to click, or to grip his heart?

Fitfully I fell asleep still praying that the subconscious would shape a message for the great hour Sunday morning, or that some old sermon would grip me. But in near-despair I went into the pulpit without a sermon.

What to do but to tell incidents from my reading: the poverty and struggle of pioneer days, but with God real, and

the providences that were a clear challenge to America to be a light to all nations—why not a sermon in all this? But all the time as I dwelt on this I was painfully aware that hungry souls were looking up to me to be fed, and I was not feeding them. I ended in shame, knowing well I had been false to them and to Christ. I was indeed too ashamed to go to the door to speak to my people. And I ought to have been. For I do have a conscience about being a shepherd and feeding God's sheep.

#### A Mental Freak

My second calamitous failure was of the nature of a mental freak familiar to the psychologist. I went into the pulpit sure my sermon was a fairly good one, the manuscript before me. But I scorned to read

a sermon or even to appear to depend on it. But often I took to the pulpit a slip with a brief outline to lean on. It made for ease. And to fix a sermon outline in my memory was not easy.

On the fateful morning I found myself in the pulpit without the slip and the outline. I searched my Bible and every pocket, and ran to my study during the singing of a hymn—all in vain. If only I had mastered my outline I began uneasy; it grew to fear, then to panic (Later I found the slip at home). I became utterly rattled. I glanced at the manuscript. By a freak of the wind, I scarcely remembered it as mine, then or later.

In desperation I had to confess my sermon was gone. I asked for a hymn, and probed my memory desperately for some sermon lingering there since student days. Traces of one I had loved came to light. A dear deacon said it went well, and not to worry. But it remains a horrible memory.

#### Fear of People

In my third tragic, and rather recent, experience, I was to speak on what had become a favorite theme, how to prepare and to make the most of the long years of retirement and old age. I had written much on it, and was so saturated with it, that I felt no need of definite preparation. I had only to turn on the faucet, and the reservoir would flow of itself.

Repeatedly I had had that experience with the same subject. I had no fear.

I started well, and then seemed to become aware of the sympathetic pastor sitting behind me. I knew he was already familiar with my line of thought.

Wouldn't what I said seem stale to him? That thought began to divert, then to rattle me. I became utterly confused, and hastened to a random, weak conclusion—what should have been an informing, stirring sermon. I felt deeply mortified and ashamed—even for days and weeks. The pastor trusted me, his people needed the message, and I had failed!

#### How Avoid Such Tragedies?

I now know well such pulpit tragedies could have been avoided for me or anyone. Mine still haunt me, and lead me to

give several hints:

1. Begin with a concept of the GREATNESS OF PREACHING. Lately I was thrilled by a great baccalaureate sermon in a seminary urging nearly 100 graduate preachers never to be content with less than great preaching, both in matter and delivery. I wrote the preacher my strong appreciation. Few things in my past cause me deeper shame than my three calamitous failures.

2. Begin at least the Sunday morning sermon early in the week, to be sure the soul is aglow with it before Saturday night.

3. Form the habit of growing sermons over long periods. Have a seed-garden in which, week by week, you plant a seed-thought that burns for expression. It came as you read, on a visit, or in the night time. Note it in its context. It burned once; it could be fanned into flame on a desperate Saturday night, or even Sunday morning; yet only if necessity demands.

#### Definite Message

4. If, after all effort, one feels no passion to preach a definite message, then pray hour by hour Saturday night or Sunday morning, till you feel your soul glow with eagerness to help your people and to exalt Christ.

Looking back at my three tragic failures, one poignant cry rises from my heart: "If only I had prayed, and prayed, and prayed!" At least my soul would have been prepared; I should have felt forgiven, cleansed, humbled for God to use, all fear gone, victorious in defeat.

5. Frankly confess, without fear, you have no sermon, that despite all prayer and effort, God has given you no sermon. A faithful preacher might even dare to say that once in a few years. Why assume that God always wants a sermon! I think that very, very rarely a preacher without a message that grips him would do his people a service by saying frankly, "God has not spoken to me today; I take it as his challenge to make this a great prayer service of confession and dedication." I think indeed, that one's officers and leaders should be prepared for such an eventuality—one in a few years.



LICENSED — North McComb Church, Rev. W. E. Corkern, pastor, recently licensed Marvin Godbold, Jr. to the ministry of the gospel. Son of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Godbold of McComb, Marvin is a student at Clarke College. He is married and has one daughter.



Rev. James Clark  
Carey Student Is  
New Pastor Good  
Hope (Lamar)

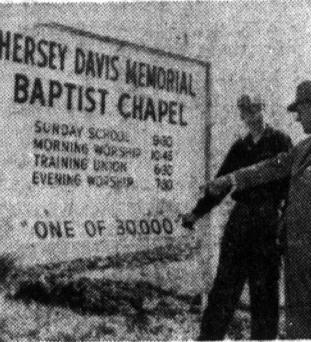
Rev. James L. Clark has been called as pastor of the Good Hope Church, Lamar Association. Mr. Clark is a Junior at William Carey College.

## Pike Is Organized

The Pike County Baptist Pastor's Conference has been organized, with the following officers:

President, Rev. James B. Riley, Magnolia; vice-president, Ralph Webber, Osyka; secretary, Rev. Howard Brister, McComb; program chairman, Dr. Lawrence Clegg, McComb, RFD.

A committee was appointed to formulate a calendar listing all the activities of the association. The Conference will plan the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade for next March. The Conference will meet monthly.



BEN MITCHELL (right, city superintendent of missions in Louisville, Kentucky, views sign signifying "One of 30,000" new missions and churches with Phillip Carpenter (left), pastor of this mission. Mitchell has launched a campaign to get all the new churches and missions in Louisville to comply with this promotion of the 30,000 Movement of Southern Baptists by attaching "One of 30,000" signs to their church signs."

## Off The Record

"What's Mabel so mad about?"

"She stepped on one of those scales with a loud-speaker, and it called out: 'One at a time, please!'"

Professor: Can you tell me anything about the great chemists of the seventeenth century?

Student: They are all dead, sir.

It was Anthony's first ride on a railroad. The train rounded a slight bend and plunged into a tunnel. There were gasps of surprise from the corner where Anthony was sitting. Suddenly the train rushed into broad daylight again, and a small voice was lifted in wonder. "It's tomorrow!" exclaimed the small boy.

"Pa," said Johnnie, "what's a monolog?"

"It's a conversation being carried on by a man and his wife, son," growled his dad.

The auto hasn't completely replaced the horse. You haven't yet seen a bronze statue of a man sitting under a steering wheel.

Youngsters do brighten up a home. Who ever saw one of them turn off electric lights?

Dairy farmer, questioning a prospective hired man: "Have any bad habits—smoke, drink, eat margarine?"

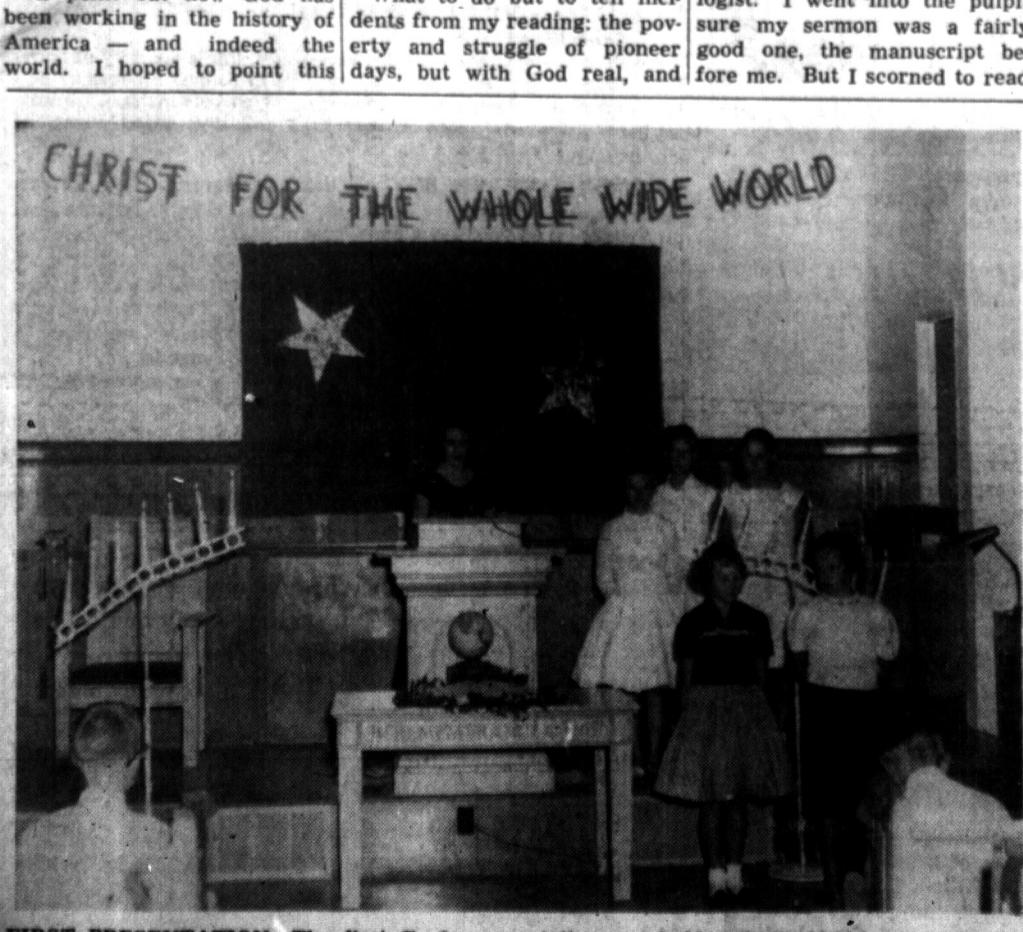
Student—For once in my life I was glad to be down and out. Stranger — When was that?

Student — After my first solo flight.

Young Father: In your sermon this morning you spoke about a baby being a new wave on the ocean of life.

Minister: That's right.

Young Father: "Don't you think a fresh squall would have been nearer the truth?"



FIRST PRESENTATION—The first G. A. presentation ever held at South 28th Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, has been held with three girls passing their maiden steps. Standing (left to right), Madeline Nicholas and Linda Ford. Back row, Miss Gloria Yarbrough, counselor, Barbara Nobles, Louise Boothe and Marlene Wall. Not shown: Mrs. Henry Yarbrough, W. M. U. president, who presented the awards; Sylvia Kirkland, pianist; Richard Thomas, trumpeter; and Don Wall and Freddy Ford, candlelighters.